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House Resolution 178

By: Representatives Davis of the 109th, Lane of the 167th, Benton of the 31st, England of the 108th, Loudermilk of the 14th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending musician Toby Keith; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Toby Keith is a nationally famous country music performer who is noted for
- 3 the passion and patriotism of his lyrics and for his loyal support of American troops abroad;
- 4 and
- 5 WHEREAS, Toby Keith's records have sold more than 20 million copies, and he is a
- 6 two-time winner of the Academy of Country Music's "Entertainer of the Year" award; and
- 7 WHEREAS, traveling with the USO, he presented the gift of his music to troops stationed
- 8 in Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait, Germany, Bosnia, Kosovo, Macedonia, Italy, Guantanamo
- 9 Bay, and Belgium; and
- 10 WHEREAS, since its creation in 1941, the USO has provided morale, welfare, and
- 11 recreational services to members of the armed forces and created bridges between the
- 12 American people and the U.S. military; and
- WHEREAS, Toby Keith's performances remind our young men and women abroad that they
- are appreciated and loved with songs such as "American Soldier" which describe the daily
- 15 tribulations of members of the armed forces; and
- WHEREAS, not only has Toby Keith brought honor to his country, he has touched the hearts
- and lives of thousands of young men and women stationed abroad, providing comfort and
- 18 encouragement as they served in remote and dangerous parts of the world.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 20 the members of this body join in recognizing Toby Keith for his wonderful contributions to
- 21 the world of music and for his sustained devotion and inspiring loyalty toward the members
- of the United States armed forces.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Toby Keith.